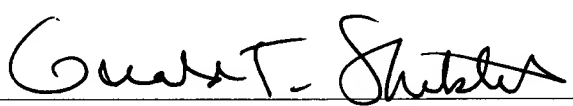
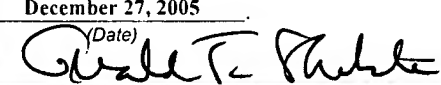


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)				Docket No. 2120/80541	
In Re Application Of: Gijsbert Johan Jansen					
Application No. 09/673,779	Filing Date 1/2/2001	Examiner Not Yet Assigned	Customer No. 24628	Group Art Unit 1637	Confirmation No. 4107
Invention: METHOD FOR THE RAPID DETERMINATION OF BACTERIA					
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></p> <p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>July 11, 2005</u> above-identified application. <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Date</small></p> <p>The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> One month <input type="checkbox"/> Two months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months <input type="checkbox"/> Four months <input type="checkbox"/> Five months </p> <p> from: <u>October 11, 2005</u> until: <u>December 11, 2005</u> <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Date</small> <small style="margin-left: 150px;">Date</small> </p> <p>The fee for the extension of time is \$1,020 and is to be paid as follows:</p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-0920 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0920 <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. </p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>Signature</small> </div> <div> Dated: December 27, 2005 </div> </div> <div style="margin-top: 10px;"> Gerald T. Shekleton WELSH & KATZ, LTD. 120 South Riverside Plaza 22nd Floor Chicago, Illinois 60606-3912 Telephone (312) 655-1500 Facsimile (312) 655-1501 </div>					
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